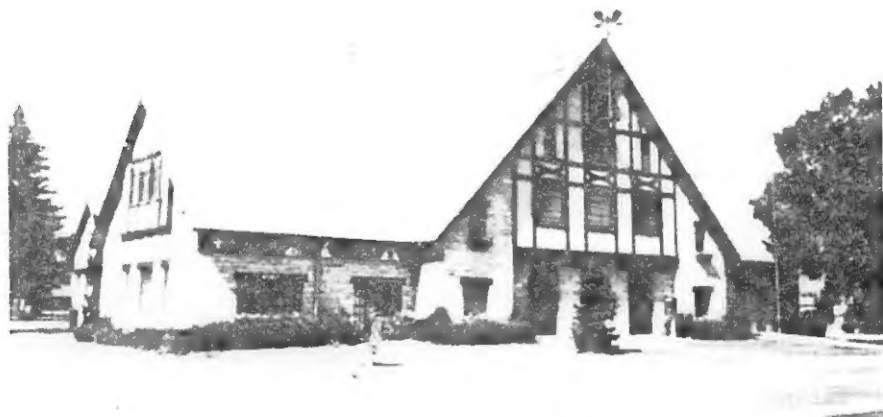


THE TOWN HALL

During the depression, the W.P.A. project was brought to Midway. It was decided to build a Town Hall using this labor force and a grant from the federal government. It was first called the Haueter building because the Mayor of Midway was a Haueter, and his brother, F.O. Haueter, contracted to build it for the W.P.A. Mr. Haueter had the first rock saw in this area. It was a circle saw with very small teeth, powered by an automobile gasoline engine. With this saw, they sawed the rocks into square or rectangular blocks, using them to build the Town Hall, making it very attractive. This building has a large dance floor and a large stage. The Post Office is in the east wing, and the town offices and a council room are in the west wing. During Swiss Days, the building is used for displays and the musical production.



The Midway Town Hall

THE MIDWAY BOOSTERS CLUB

In 1947, there developed a great amount of interest in some sort of civic organization. Several nationally known organizations solicited support to commence membership in Midway. In a meeting of the towns' people at Luke's Hot Pots during that year, what would later become known as The Midway Boosters, was organized. That September, a highly successful celebration, known as the Harvest Festival, was held. It included a free barbecue, serving about 1000 persons, a miniature parade, and a program and dance in the evening. This celebration continued each year thereafter.

Some years later, the community felt they needed a theme for this celebration. Looking back to some of the Swiss heritage that had helped to make Midway what it was, they decided to call it "Swiss Days", which it has been since.